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Addendum 1 – 191212 (Issued December 12, 2019)

On Tuesday, November 26, 2019 the Town of Barrington advertised the <u>Richardson Pond Dam Engineering Services Request for Proposals</u>. The following questions were asked regarding the project. The deadline to submit responses is Wednesday, December 18, 2019.

Question: The RFP indicates that the Town intends to reconstruct the dam to render it non-

jurisdictional. Will the Town entertain rehabilitation of the dam if it results in the

dam remaining jurisdictional?

Answer: Yes. The Town intends to work with the selected engineering firm (and the

various stakeholders) to review all options and identify the best resolution.

Question: Does the conservation easement prevent permanent adjustment of the pool

level? For example, lowering the normal pool 1 to 2 feet permanently?

Answer: Deborah Goard, Stewardship Director for the Southeast Land Trust was consulted

for an answer to that question her response follows:

Hi Conner,

Thanks for engaging us at the beginning of the process. The short answer is yes, permanently reducing the water level of the pond can be kept as an option to evaluate.

If you weren't planning on it already, we would also suggest that as part of the evaluation of options the Town brings in a natural resource professional such as a wildlife biologist or ecologist to evaluate the impacts of the different options you're considering on the Purposes of the conservation easement related to the pond including:

Section 1.B. The protection of Richardson Pond, its surrounding wetlands and uplands network, and the biological integrity of the unusual natural habitat, biological communities, and ecosystems of the area

Section 1.C. The protection of the Property and of Richardson Pond (to which the Property provides access and on which it fronts) for low-impact non-motorized outdoor recreation such as hiking, bird watching, cross-country skiing, hunting, fishing, and non-motorized boating by the general public

Section 1.D. The protection and preservation of the quality of groundwater and



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surface water resources on and under the Property, and more specifically Richardson Pond and its adjacent wetlands, and Mallego Brook, a tributary of the Bellamy Reservoir which is an important water supply for Portsmouth, New Hampshire

Let me know if you have any other questions and I look forward to working with you all as you navigate this process.

Due: Wednesday, December 18, 2019

No later than 12:00pm

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